

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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Thank you for contacting The City of San Diego. We received your letter dated January 14, 2008. The Open Space Division is responsible for carrying out brush management activities on 1180-acres of urban wildland interface throughout The City of San Diego. We are currently budgeted to complete 210-acres in Fiscal Year 2008. We base our schedules on fire hazard rating assigned to each Open Space parcel by the Fire-Rescue Department, from highest to lowest.

Based on the information contained in your letter, the Open Space parcels you are referring to have fire hazard ratings of 28 and 18. We are currently addressing brush management citywide on parcels with a fire hazard rating of 55, as determined by The City of San Diego Fire-Rescue Department. At this point, we do not anticipate work being done in this area prior to summer 2008.

Citizens may also request a brush management permit to complete brush management at their own expense, in accordance with The City of San Diego Municipal Code Chapter 14, Article 2 Division 4, Section 142.0412. Please be advised that typical brush management extends 100-feet from habitable structures, however, per section 142.0412 (i) of the Municipal Code based on a fire fuel load model report the brush management zone may be increased by the Fire Chief.

To request a brush management permit, please contact George Flores, Brush Manager at 619-525-8607 to set up an onsite meeting.

Please feel free to contact me at a later date and I will provide you any update we have as far as the scheduling is concerned.

Sincerely,

Joshua Garcia

Natural Resource Manager

